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**PETITION TO WITHDRAW APPLICATION FROM**  
**ISSUE PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2)**

Sir:

Petitioner hereby petitions the Commissioner to withdraw the above-identified application from issue. The Issue Fee in this application was timely paid on March 8, 2006.

Please charge our Deposit Account Number 23/2825, under Order No. D0590.70011US00 in the amount of \$525.00 covering the fees set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) and 1.17(h).

Petitioner respectfully petitions that the above-identified application be withdrawn from issue in order to permit consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (Request for Continued Examination with an Information Disclosure Statement), a copy of which is enclosed.

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The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 23/2825, under Order No. D0590.70011US00. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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